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PS GOC: Peter,

Acknowledge the circumstances of the situation, namely that on February 16, 2022, Public Safety Canada (PS) received the attached Request for Federal Assistance (RFA) from the Parliamentary Protective Services of Canada (PPS) seeking immediate logistical support from the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) for ongoing operations on Parliament Hill. The PPS, as a federal entity, made a Request for federal assistance directly to Public Safety Canada. Since January 28, 2022, there have been persisting demonstrations in the City of Ottawa and there continues to be a number of vehicles blocking transportation routes in the downtown core, including in front of Parliament Hill. PPS is preparing for all possibilities that may impact its operations in the Parliamentary Precinct. PPS is working rapidly to secure various supplies, including rations, for its staff.

The MND has received the RFA and agrees that the request submitted from the Minister of Public Safety falls pursuant to subsection 273.6(2) of the National Defence Act, and has provided authority for CAF support. The CDS has received authority from the Minister of National Defence to provide support to the Parliamentary Protective Service (PPS) request via PS in the form of 1200 ration packs. I can officially tell you that the CDS has issued direction to the CAF to support this request, and this support will be provided effective 19 Feb 2022.

The CAF acknowledges and accepts the task as outlined in the RFA:

- * As capacity allows, provide rations to law enforcement personnel.

As per the request, CAF will immediately provide 1200 ration packs to PPS, with delivery coordinated for 19 Feb 22.

The issues surrounding law enforcement have been carefully considered. At no time will CAF members engage in any type of law enforcement activity throughout this task and the exchange of ration packs between CAF and PPS personnel, and this exchange will occur away from the downtown core.

In addition, CAF members will remain under military command at all times.

The CAF continues to work to provide support where authorized to our whole of government partners.

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The assistance of the CAF is in the national interest and CAF is considered to be the most efficient and well positioned federal asset to provide this support due to the time sensitivity of this operation.

We have confirmed that both MEP and MND approved CAF support, pursuant to subsection 273.6(2) of the National Defence Act. The following assistance was approved:

- As capacity allows, provide rations to law enforcement personnel.

Support is required starting **February 18, 2022** until the Parliamentary Protective Service has received the requested rations.

With approvals in place, please action CAF support.

Many thanks for your ongoing collaboration.

Sincerely,

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